



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of

NAGASHIMA et al.

Serial No. 10/073,213

Filed: February 13, 2002

For: INK-JET RECORDING MATERIAL

Confirmation No. 4799

Atty. Docket No. 46275

Group Art Unit: 1774

Examiner: Shewareged, B.

TRANSMITTAL OF RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Response in the above-captioned application. The fee has been calculated as shown below. *(Small entity fees indicated in parentheses.)*

CLAIMS AS AMENDED							
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)		(5)	(6)	(7)
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Extra Claims	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	31	-	32		0	50.00	\$0
<i>(Small Entity)</i>						<i>(25.00)</i>	
Independent claims	3	-	9		0	200.00	\$0
<i>(Small Entity)</i>						<i>(100.00)</i>	
Multiple Dependent	0	-	0		0	360.00	0
<i>(Small Entity)</i>						<i>(180.00)</i>	
Extension of Time	One Month		Two Months		Three Months	Four Months	
Fee	\$120		\$450		\$1,020	\$1,590	\$0
<i>(Small Entity)</i>	<i>(\$60)</i>		<i>(\$225)</i>		<i>(\$510)</i>	<i>(\$795)</i>	
IDS							\$0
Total							\$0

The above fees are believed to be correct. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0687 under the above Attorney Docket Number for which purpose this paper is submitted in duplicate. **CUSTOMER NO. 20736**

Respectfully submitted,

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In response to the Office Action dated February 1, 2006, please consider the following remarks in view of the attached copy of the technical reference, JIS-P-8138.

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested. Claims 1-11, 13-16 and 18-33 are pending in this application. Claims 14-16 and 18-33 are allowed and claims 4-6 are objected to.

The applicants respectfully traverse the rejection of claims 1-3, 7-11 and 13 under 35 USC 103(a) in view of Anderson et al taken with Ohbayashi et al. The cited references do not make the presently claimed invention to be obvious.

The Office Action states at page 4, line 6 that Anderson does not disclose the "opacity" of the substrate. In an effort to remedy this deficiency, Ohbayashi is cited at page 4, lines 9-10, as teaching an ink jet recording sheet that comprises a support and an ink absorptive layer on the support, wherein the support comprises a